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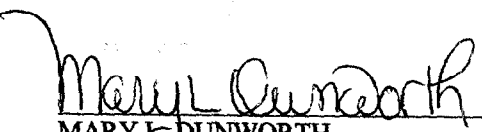
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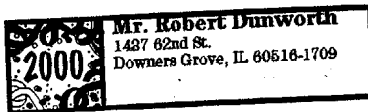
We wish to voice our support for the proposition currently before the FDA to require the trans-fat content of foods to be listed on labels alongside saturated fat. It is high time that the public be made more aware of this significant health threat! Excess weight among the general population has become a major public health problem, especially in our children and it is time to exercise all caution necessary to prevent further problems and to get the general public "back on track". Fat has a place in a healthy diet. Trans-fat does not! There are studies out there to back this up, including estimates of the number of premature deaths attributable to our consumption of trans fat. Many individuals do not have access to the information that we do but they do buy groceries, fast foods, etc. and they can read labels that would tell them which items are bad for them. Hopefully our voice will be joined by thousands more and we will start seeing the FDA take a more serious look at what they are approving and why, know and understand the importance of getting the information out on these potential dangers, and do it TODAY!


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